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Irrigation

Decision of the Government regarding the Vamsadhara project.

* 402 *Q.*—Pandit Ganala Ramamurti: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state the decision of the Government regarding the Vamsadhara project in the Ganjam district?

A.—In accordance with the recommendation of the Committee which inquired into irrigation projects in Ganjam district the project has been abandoned. The hon. Member's attention is invited to the papers printed at pages 773–774 of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council, Volume LI, No. 7.

Progress report regarding the Tungabhadra project.

* 403 *Q.*—Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to make a statement as to the further progress made towards the execution of the Tungabhadra project?

A.—Replies from the other Governments are still awaited.

Diwan Bahadur R. N. Arogyaswami Mudaliyar:—" May I know if the Government have finally decided the site of the dam? "

The hon. Mr. A. Y. G. Campbell:—" No, Sir."

Diwan Bahadur R. N. Arogyaswami Mudaliyar:—" May I take it that they have not completed the estimates yet? "

The hon. Mr. A. Y. G. Campbell:—" The final detailed estimates have not yet been prepared."

Extent of irrigation by the Kanigiri Reservoir in Sangam.

* 404 *Q.*—Khan Bahadur Yahya Ali Sahib Bahadur: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) the total acreage that was expected to be irrigated by the Kanigiri Reservoir in Sangam when the project was first brought into existence;

(*b*) the total acreage so far brought under cultivation till now in the Sangam delta;

(*c*) if the original expectations have not been fulfilled, the reasons therefor and what measures are under contemplation to improve the delta; and

(*d*) whether it is one of the subjects recently referred to the Irrigation Board for report?

A.—(*a*) 94,000 acres (first crop) and 16,026 acres (second crop).

(*b*) The area irrigated in 1929–30 was 83,652 acres first crop and 12,929 acres second crop.